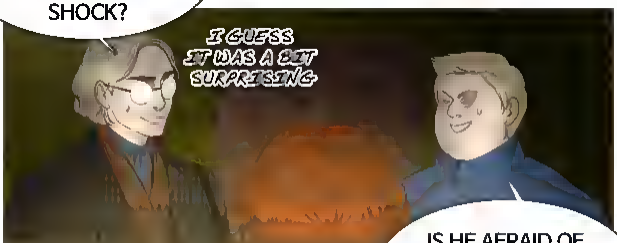
STILL, IT LOOKS LIKE HE FOUND HIS WAY BACK OKAY.
YEAH. I WAS SO SURPRISED BEFORE WHEN HE SUDDENLY RAN OUT ON US –
WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED?

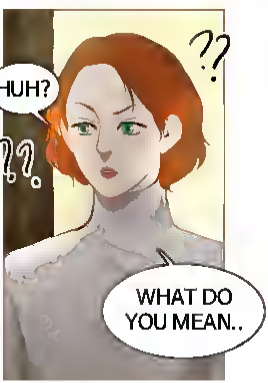
HE LOOKED LIKE HE'D SEEN SOMETHING THAT REALLY FREAKED HIM OUT.
SOMETHING THAT FREAKED HIM OUT?
YEAH.
HE CAME THROUGH THE DOOR AND RAN RIGHT OVER...
ANYWAY, IT WAS KINDA STRANGE.

WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED WHILE YOU GUYS WERE OUT?

WAS SEEING THAT PREGNANT WOMAN THAT MUCH OF A SHOCK?



IS HE AFRAID OF HAVING TOO MUCH HAIR PLUCKED AND GOING BALD?



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TAKE CARE~
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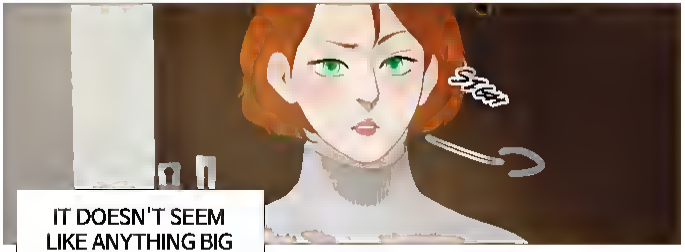

IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE ANYTHING BIG HAPPENED, SO WHY'S HE LIKE THIS?

WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND??

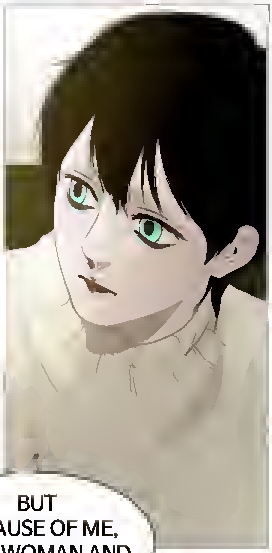
I'M NOT SURE EITHER, ROY.
...I REALLY DON'T KNOW.
BUT YOU KNOW WHAT?
I THINK I'VE MADE A BIG MISTAKE.

A MISTAKE?

TODAY...
I SAW A NEWBORN BABY.
THERE WAS PROBABLY A BABY IN THAT WOMAN'S BELLY LONG AGO TOO, RIGHT?

BREATHING,
MOVING ITS ARMS,
KICKING BECAUSE IT WANTS TO COME OUT...
AND HOT,
LIGHT BUT HEAVY...
A LITTLE BABY LIKE THAT.

WELL, YOU CAN'T STOP THINGS FROM DYING ANYWAY.


BUT BECAUSE OF ME, THAT WOMAN AND HER BABY-

ENOUGH!
YOU'RE A FAILED EXPERIMENT!
STOP ACTING
LIKE YOU'RE A REAL HUMAN!

ALL SOMETHING LIKE YOU NEEDS TO DO IS STAY QUIET AND WIND MY SPRING UP!!!
ROY!!!

THAT'S A BIT OVER THE TOP.
WINTER CAN LEARN TO BE LIKE A HUMAN TOO-
YOU THINK HE'LL LEARN TO BE LIKE A HUMAN?
ALL HE'LL EVER BE IS "LIKE A HUMAN."
HE CAN NEVER BECOME A HUMAN. THE BEST HE CAN EVER DO IS IMITATE.

W-WHAT DO YOU MEAN! EVEN IF HE WAS CREATED, YOU CAN'T JUST TREAT HIM LIKE AN OBJECT!
WHO KNOWS WHAT HE CAN DO IF HE LEARNS AND TRIES!
HE'LL NEVER BE A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT!
HE'S JUST A DOLL!
A TALKING DOLL!
ALL HE'S GOT IS ME-!

FORGET IT
WHAT GOOD WOULD IT
DO TO TALK TO A BRAINLESS
BOOGER LIKE YOU ANYWAY.
PLOP
I'M SICK
OF THIS

HEY!!!
WHISH

I'M FINE,
JANE.
.....WELL THAT'S GOOD.
BUT WHY DID YOU DO THAT BEFORE?
YOU JUST BURST IN AND SUDDENLY HUGGED ME. SINCE THEN, YOU HAVEN'T SAID A WORD.
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN WHILE YOU WERE OUT?

JANE, EVERYONE'S BEEN SMALL AT SOME TIME, RIGHT?
YOU WERE PROBABLY SMALL BEFORE TOO, RIGHT?

OF COURSE,
PEOPLE, PLANTS AND ANIMALS ARE ALL SMALL AT FIRST.

I'VE NEVER BEEN SMALL.
I'VE ALWAYS LOOKED LIKE THIS.
OH BOY, WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO SAY?!
AH... UM.... I-IS THAT SO?
L-LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE!

BLAH
IF YOU'VE ALWAYS LOOKED LIKE THIS, THAT MEANS YOU'LL LOOK LIKE THIS IN THE FUTURE TOO, RIGHT?
SO... S-SOOO.....
BLAH
EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE NEVER BEEN SMALL, YOU'LL ALSO NEVER GET OLD!
YOU WON'T GET ANY WRINKLES ON YOUR FACE EITHER
AW~ SO LUCKY!

I REMEMBER THE LITTLE BABY THAT WAS IN HER BELLY.

WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE, HOW HEAVY IT WAS,

EVEN HOW ITS WARMTH FELT...

I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING, BUT I KEEP REMEMBERING THAT.
PRAY FOR ME

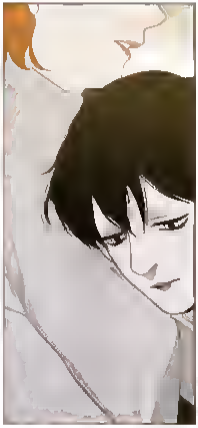
JANE.
CAN I DO LIKE BEFORE?

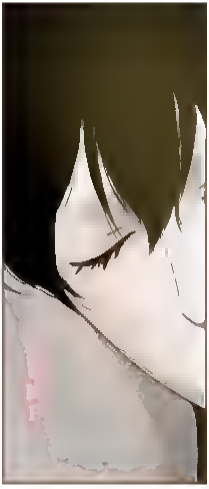
BEFORE?
I WANT TO GET IN BETWEEN YOUR ARMS.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I WANT TO BE THERE.

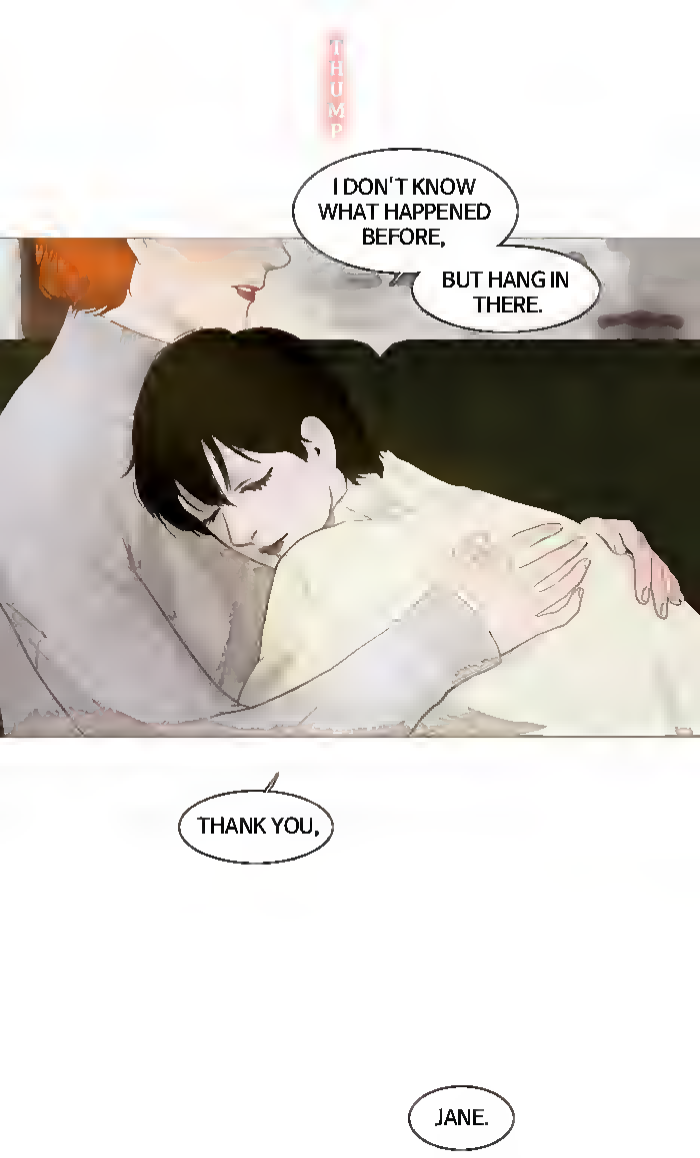
CAN I LISTEN TO YOUR HEARTBEAT?

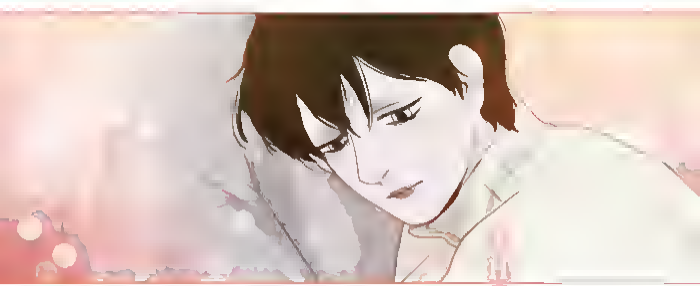
S-SURE.

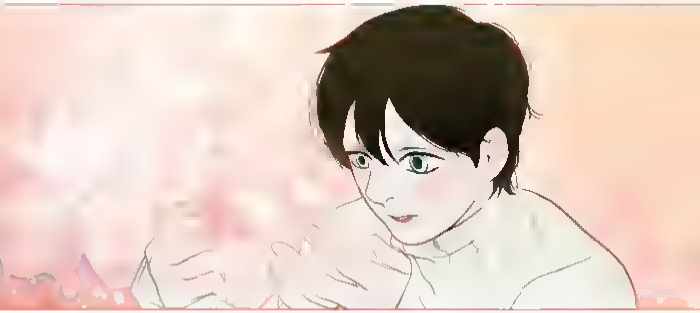
GULP






THUMP
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE,
BUT HANG IN THERE.
THANK YOU,
JANE.





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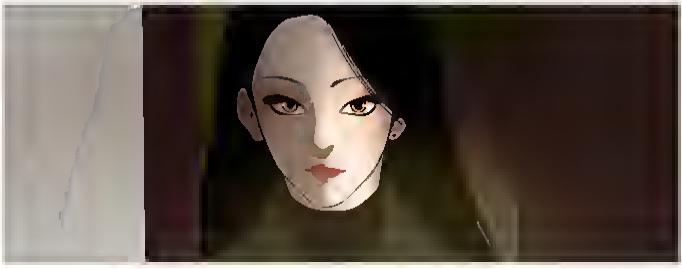

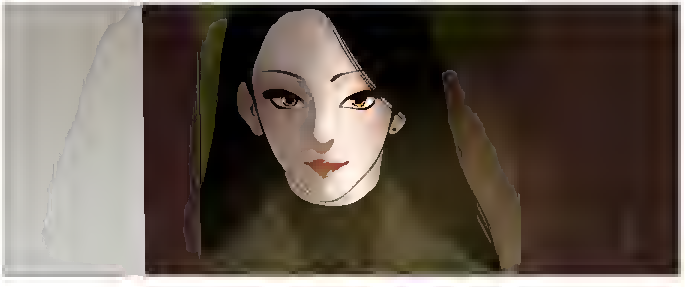

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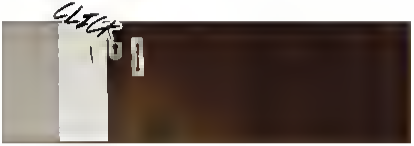

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